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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

7 LANCE PATRICK GIRARD,

8 Plaintiff,

9 v.

10 COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

11 Defendant.

Case No. C18-5557 RSM

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
FAILURE TO FILE ANSWER**

12 This matter is before the court on Plaintiff's complaint seeking review of the
13 Commissioner's decision denying benefits. *See* Complaint, Dkt. 5. On September 24, 2018,
14 Plaintiff, proceeding *pro se*, filed an "Affidavit of Mailing of Summons and Complaint" to the
15 Commissioner, dated September 19, 2018. Dkt. 8. Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(2), the
16 Commissioner was required to serve an answer to the complaint within 60 days after service. To
17 date, the Commissioner has filed no answer.

18 The Commissioner is hereby ordered to file an answer or show cause on or before
19 December 12, 2018, why this matter should not be remanded for failure to file an answer.

20 DATED this 6th day of December, 2018.

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23 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ
Chief United States District Judge